

1. (Currently Amended) A method of ordering a part of an ~~for a~~ apparatus comprising:

monitoring electronically a condition of a replaceable part in a first device, the replaceable part having: a first condition upon installation; at least one intermediate condition after use; and a third condition when a replacement part is substantially necessary;

launching an electronic communication link to a URL address of a computer, the URL address defined by a condition of the replaceable part;

electronically sending a signal to a second device, the signal automatically electronically offering to purchase a replaceable part upon identification of at least one of the first condition, second condition, and third condition in the replaceable part; and

sending a digital electronic signature associated with the offering to purchase the replaceable part.

2. The method of **claim 1** further comprising predicting a condition of the part prior to the electronically sending the signal.

3. The method of **claim 2** further comprising receiving electronically an acceptance of the offer to purchase the replaceable part.

4. The method of **claim 3** further comprising installing the replaceable part prior to occurrence of the third condition.

5. The method of **claim 3** further comprising delivering the replaceable part to the first device when monitoring indicates the condition of the part is between about the first condition and the third condition.

6. The method of **claim 3** further comprising providing information relating to the signal to at least one of a user, a supplier, and a third party.

7. The method of **claim 6** wherein the information relates to at least one of: (1) a present condition of the part; (2) a prediction of a future condition of the part; (3) an inquiry; and (4) an offer to purchase.

8. The method of **claim 1** further comprising:
using a sensor and software system to perform monitoring and predicting of a condition of the part.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of **claim 1** wherein ~~at least one of the first device and the second device are~~ is interactive.

10. The method of **claim 1** further comprising:
displaying a purchase order screen including data relating to the part automatically filled out on the purchase order screen based on an identified condition; and

sending the data electronically to a supplier of the part after personal information data is automatically entered by an application program into the purchase order screen.

11. The method of **claim 10** further comprising:
sending data to the supplier after a user enters data.

12. The method of **claim 6** wherein the information further relates to at least one of: (1) present supply of a consumable; (2) wear of a consumable; (3) usage of the part; (4) rate of depletion of a consumable; (5) rate of wear of the consumable; (5) predicted date of depletion of the consumable; (5) a predicted date of need of a consumable; (6) delivery schedule of a consumable; and (5) statistical data relating to a part.

13. (Cancelled).

14. (Currently Amended) A method of ordering a part ~~for~~ of an apparatus comprising:

identifying electronically a condition in an apparatus;

automatically launching an electronic communications to initiate at least one of an inquiry and an offer to purchase ~~to a supplier~~ based on the condition to a URL address of a computer associated with a condition of the part, the URL address defined by a condition of the part;

displaying a purchase order screen including a part number ~~for a part~~ automatically filled out on the purchase order screen based on the identified condition;

sending an electronic purchase order for the part using the URL address of a computer associated with the condition of the part; and

sending a digital electronic signature associated with the electronic purchase order.

15. (Currently Amended) A method of ordering a part for a marking device comprising:

sensing a condition ~~at a consumable of a part in the~~ a marking device, the marking device adapted to predict a code indicative of a threshold of a consumable in the part;

launching an electronic communication ~~to access a computer at an address defined by the condition~~ to a URL address of a computer associated with a condition of the part, the URL address defined by a condition of the replaceable part;

sending an electronic purchase offer for a replacement ~~for of the consumable part to the electronic address defined by the condition~~ using at least one of the URL address of the computer associated with a condition of the part and a derivative of the URL address associated with the condition of the part; and

sending a digital electronic signature associated with the electronic purchase offer.

16. The method of ordering a part of **claim 15** wherein the consumable part is functionally associated with a sensor and software system to sense and predict a condition in the device and to electronically communicate information, the sensor and software system including logic adapted to initiate a purchase order defined by the condition.

17. (Currently Amended) A method of ordering a part ~~for~~ of an imaging apparatus comprising:

identifying electronically a condition in a consumable part, the consumable part ~~including at least one an ink cartridge, toner cartridge, photoreceptor cartridge, paper, and printhead~~ having a first condition upon installation, at least one intermediate condition after use, and a third condition when a replacement of the consumable part is substantially necessary; and

using a software and sensor system associated with the apparatus ~~for to~~ at least one of: (a) ~~electronic~~ electronically ~~monitoring of~~ the condition of the consumable part; (b) ~~electronic~~ electronically ~~predicting of~~ the condition of the consumable part; and after at least one of (a) and (b); (c) automatically launching ~~an electronic communications to initiate at least one of an inquiry and an offer to purchase a replacement for the consumable part at an occurrence or prediction of at least one of the first condition, intermediate condition, and third condition a~~ communication to a URL address of a computer associated with a condition of the consumable part upon at least one of an occurrence and a prediction of at least one of the first condition, intermediate condition, and third condition, the URL address defined by a condition of the part;

sending a at least one of an inquiry and an offer to purchase offer ~~for~~ a replacement ~~for of~~ the consumable part using at least one of the to a URL address of the computer associated with a condition of the part and a derivative of the URL address associated with the condition of the part defined by the identified condition in the consumable part; and

sending a digital electronic signature associated with at least one of the inquiry and the offer to purchase the purchase offer.

18. The method of ordering a part of **claim 17** further comprising receiving electronically an acceptance of the offer to purchase.

19. The method of ordering a part of **claim 17** wherein the communication further relates to at least one of: (1) present supply of a consumable; (2) wear of a consumable; (3) usage of the part; (4) rate of depletion of a consumable; (5) rate of wear of the consumable; (5) predicted date of depletion of the consumable; (5) a predicted date of need of a consumable; (6) delivery schedule of a consumable; and (5) statistical data relating to a part.

20. (Cancelled).

21. The method of ordering a part of **claim 1** wherein the electronically sending of the signal to the second device is a wireless communication.